

What is claimed is:

- Sub. a1*
1. A method of inducing an antiviral response in an individual comprising administering to the individual an effective amount of an agent which blocks the binding of lymphotoxin- β to its receptor, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
 - 5 2. A method of claim 1 wherein said agent is a LT-beta-R blocking agent.
 3. ~~The method of claim 2 wherein said agent is an antibody against the lymphotoxin- β receptor or a soluble lymphotoxin- β receptor.~~
 - Sub. a2* 4. ~~The method of claim 3 wherein said agent is a lymphotoxin- β receptor/Ig fusion protein.~~
 - 10 5. ~~The method of claim 1 wherein said agent is a soluble lymphotoxin- β or an antibody against lymphotoxin- β .~~
 6. A method of inducing an antiviral response in an individual comprising administering to the individual an effective amount of an agent which blocks the lymphotoxin- β -receptor and/or HVEM signaling pathway.
 - 15 7. ~~The method of claims 1- 6 wherein said individual is infected with Sin Nombre Virus, Ebola virus, Marburg virus, Lassa virus or Dengue.~~
 8. ~~The method of claim 7 wherein the agent is a lymphotoxin- β -R/Ig fusion protein.~~
- Sub. a3*

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